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SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF ILO ACTIVITIES

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1. THE ONE-MAN STAFF OF ILO IN SANTIAGO IS INVOLVED MORE IN THE PLANNING OF FUTURE PROJECTS THAN IN THE EXECUTION OF CURRENT ONES. CURRENTLY ILO IS INVOLVED IN THE CONTINUATION OF A HOTEL MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROJECT, EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCE PROJECT AND TWO KINDS OF ILO STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS. ILO FUNDS FOR CHILE ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED, AND THE GOC APPEARS LITTLE INTERESTED IN PRESENT OR FUTURE ILO PROJECTS. THE ILO REPRESENTATIVE IN TURN HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO KEEP A LOW PROFILE IN CHILE.

2. THE HOTEL MANAGEMENT PROJECT IS AN EXTENSION OF A TWO YEAR BILATERAL PROGRAM WITH THE SWISS GOVERNMENT WHICH TERMINATED IN 1975. THE PROGRAM WAS EXTENDED UNTIL AUGUST 1977 BY UNDP AT A COST OF \$120,000 AND THE NUMBER OF EXPERTS WAS REDUCED FROM TWO TO ONE. THERE ARE 19 INSTRUCTORS AND 240 STUDENTS BEING TRAINED IN HOTEL MANAGEMENT AND KITCHEN SERVICES. THE HOTEL INSTITUTE ALSO OFFERS SPECIALIZED COURSES TO HOTELS FOR EMPLOYEE TRAINING. THE PROGRAM IS A SUCCESS IN TRAINING BOTH HOTEL MANAGERS AND INSTRUCTORS IN HOTEL MANAGEMENT SCIENCE. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM CONNECTED WITH THE PROJECT, AND THE INSTRUCTORS OFTEN COMPETE WITH STUDENTS FOR THE BETTER JOBS. THERE WAS NO LABOR UNION PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING THIS PROJECT. THE PROJECT

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IS SMALL ENOUGH SO THAT THERE ARE APPARENTLY NO DELAYS IN

IMPLEMENTATION, AS ILO SIMPLY EXTENDED THE EXISTING BILATERAL PROJECT.

3. ILO COMPLETED THIS AUGUST A SIX-MONTH EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCE PROJECT UNDER WHICH THE UNDP PURCHASED A MOBILE UNIT FOR SCIENCE IN INDUSTRY FOR US\$55 THOUSAND. THE PROJECT ATTEMPTED TO BRING TO WORKERS AT THEIR WORKPLACE BASIC COURSES IN ELECTRICITY, MECHANICS, MACHINE OPERATIONS AND TECHNIQUES FOR IMPROVEMENT OF PRODUCTIVITY. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS WERE INVOLVED IN PLANNING THE PROJECT. THE PROJECT WILL NOT BE RENEWED. APPARENTLY THERE WAS LITTLE FEEDBACK FROM IT. ILO DID NOT HAVE DATA ON HOW MANY STUDENTS WERE INVOLVED IN THIS EXPERIMENTAL PROJECT, NOR WERE THEY ABLE TO EVALUATE ITS SUCCESS OR FAILURE.

4. ILO HAS GIVEN A TWO-MONTH, IN-COUNTRY FELLOWSHIP TO THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR REHABILITATION FOR A STUDY ON VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED, IN ANTICIPATION OF ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR REHABILITATION, TRAINING AND PLACEMENT OF THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED. THE TWO-MONTH FELLOWSHIP IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE IN-COUNTRY EXPERTISE IN AN AREA OF CURRENT INTEREST TO BOTH CHILE AND THE ILO.

5. THE REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FOR LATIN AMERICA (PREALC) IS HEADQUARTERED IN SANTIAGO. THE PROGRAM FOR CHILE, ITSELF IS LIMITED TO ASSISTING THE UNIVERSITY OF THE NORTH IN ARIKA TO ESTABLISH AN INSTITUTE FOR DETERMINING EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS IN NORTHERN CHILE AND TO PLAN ITS FUTURE CURRICULUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROJECTED MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS. PREALC HAS A STAFF OF THREE PROFESSIONALS AND THREE SPECIALISTS. IN AGREEMENT WITH THE FORD FOUNDATION, IT HAS GIVEN FELLOWSHIPS TO FOUR CHILEANS IN EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS AT THE CENTRO INTER-AMERICANO DE ESTUDIOS ESTADISTICOS (CELADE) IN CHILE. OTHER BILATERAL FELLOWSHIPS TO CELADE ARE GIVEN BY CANADA (7), SWEDEN (2), WEST GERMANY (1) AND THE NETHERLANDS (1). PREALC AS A REGIONAL ORGANIZATION DOES VERY LITTLE WORK WITHIN CHILE. HOWEVER, ON OCCASION THE CHILEAN ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (ODEPLAN), CONSULTS WITH PREALC SPECIALISTS ABOUT EMPLOYMENT AND PLANNING. THE FIRST PHASE OF PREALC ENDED IN DECEMBER 1975. AT THE LAST CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE EVALUATION IN JANUARY, MEMBER COUNTRIES RATED PREALC ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS BEING PROBABLY THE MOST DYNAMIC AND EFFECTIVE PROGRAM IN LATIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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7. COMMENT: ILO IN CHILE IS LIMITED BY THE LITTLE INTEREST THE GOC HAS SHOWN IN IT. ILO FINDS ITSELF LIMITED BY THE LACK OF FUNDS AND PERSONNEL, AND THE LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE WAS RECENTLY INSTRUCTED TO AVOID IDENTIFICATION WITH THE GOC, AND TO STAY OUT OF GOC/LABOR MATTERS. A SMALL ILO PRESENCE IN CHILE, HOWEVER, APPEARS USEFUL AS AN ELEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL INFLUENCE ON THE GOC.

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